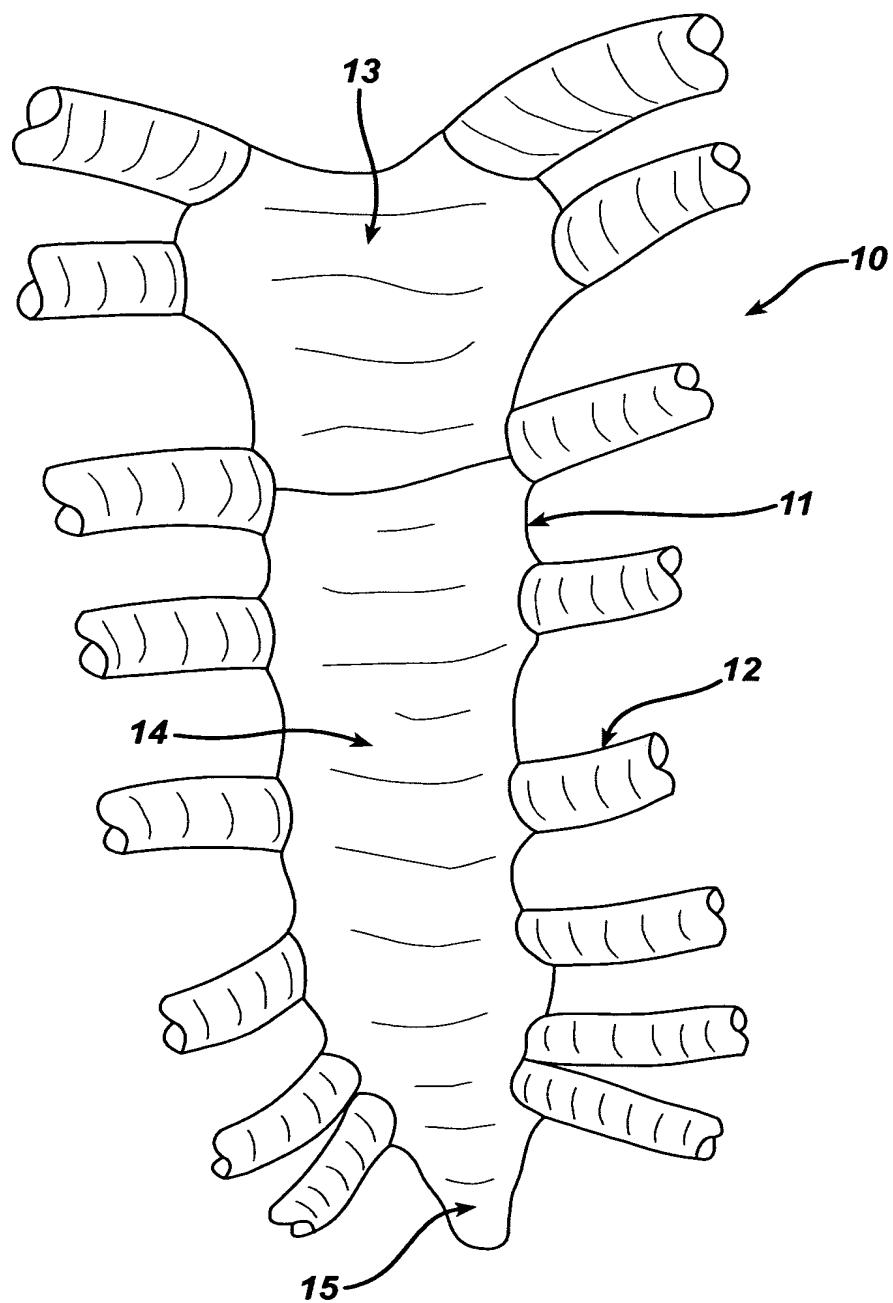


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FIG. 1A



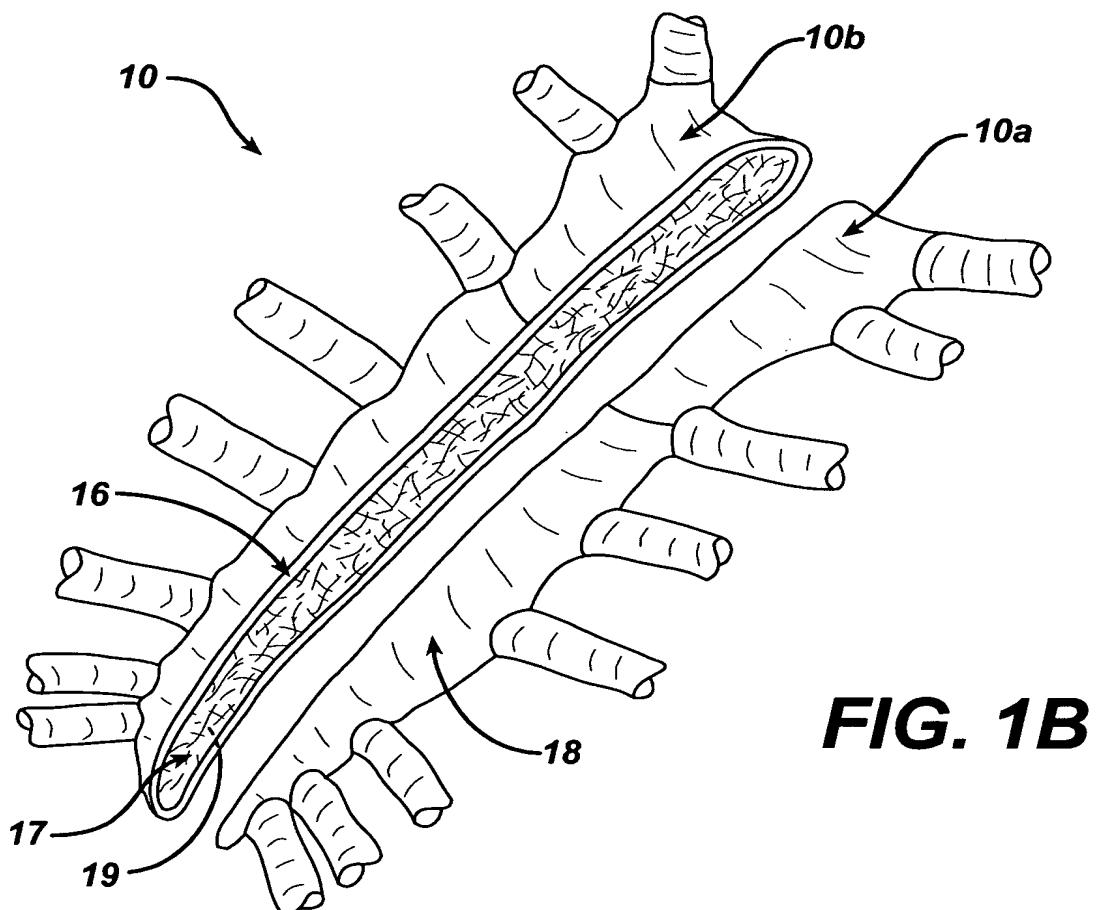
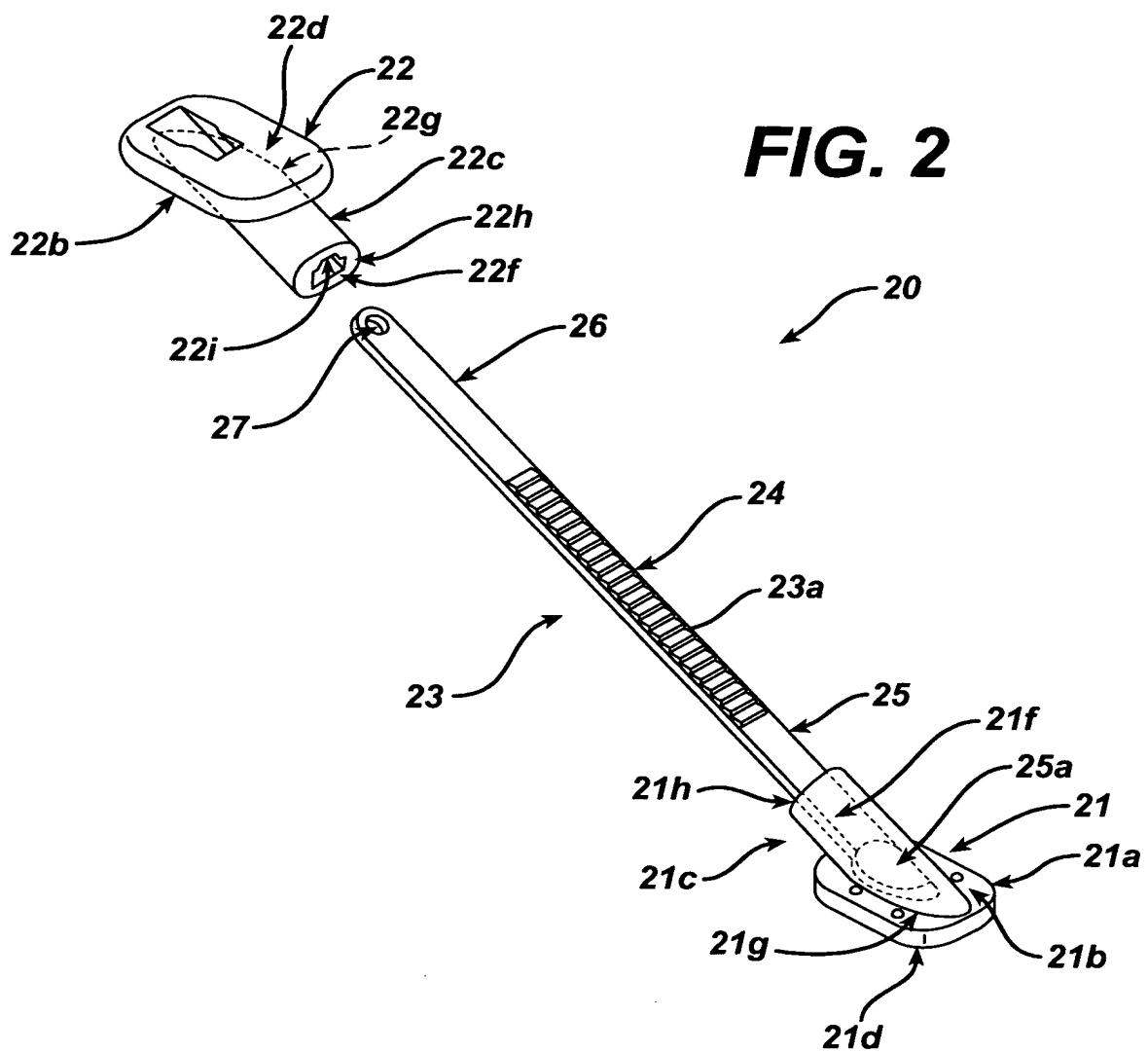


FIG. 2



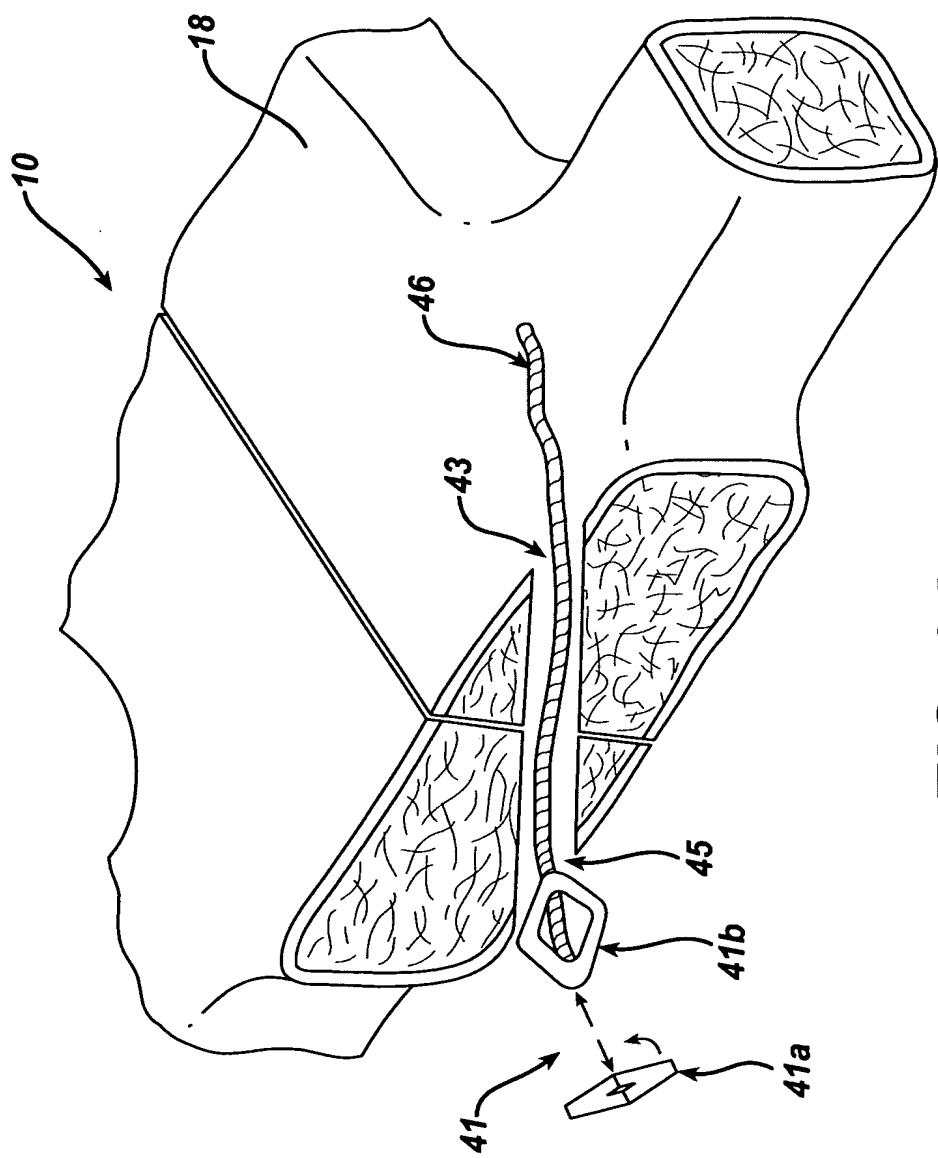


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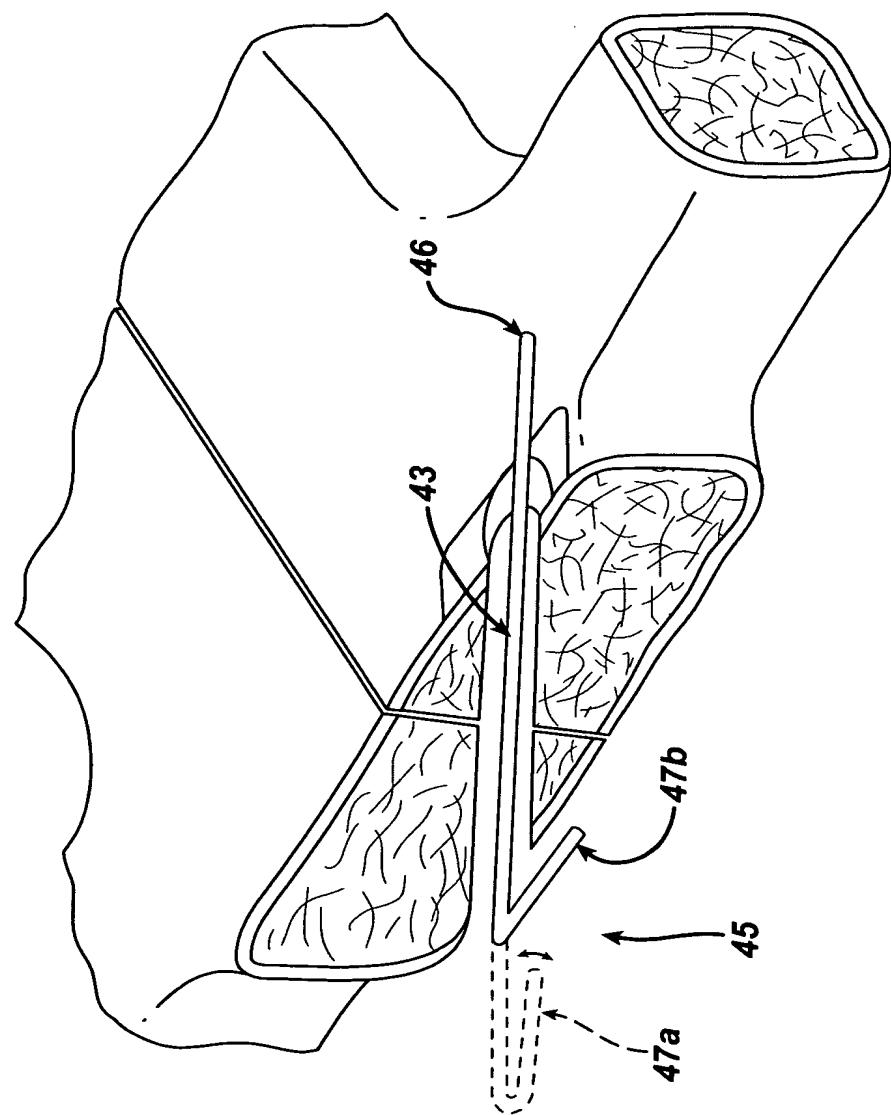
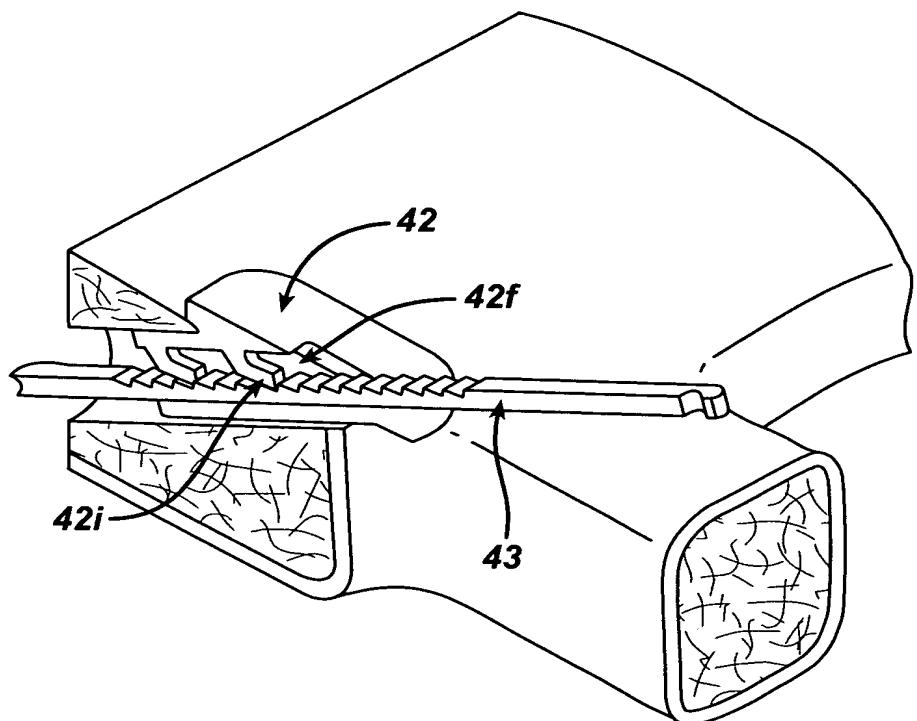


FIG. 3B

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ATTY: Blossom E. Loo TEL. #: 732-524-1596
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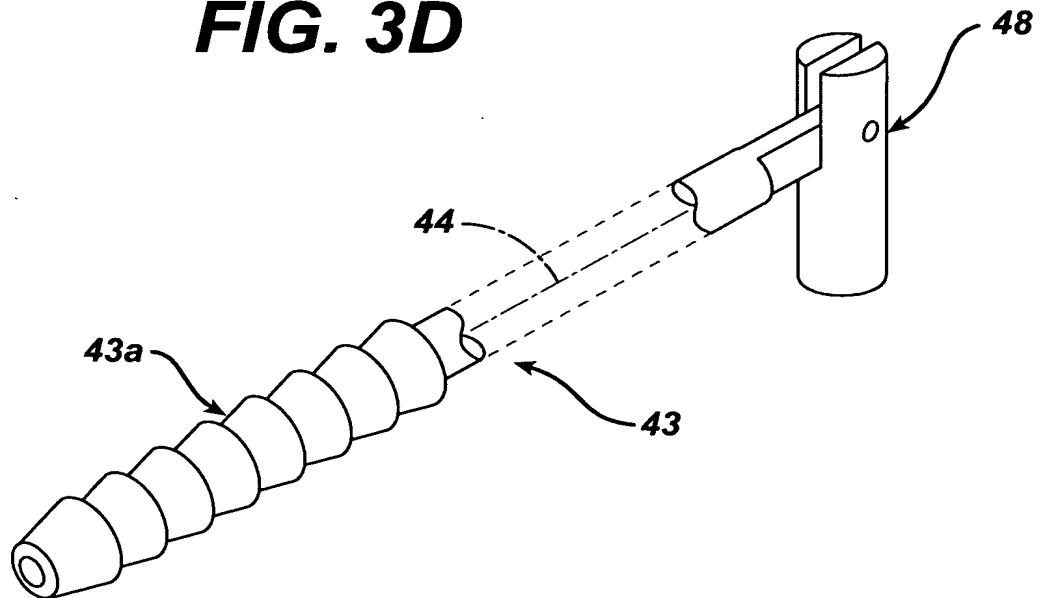
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FIG. 3C



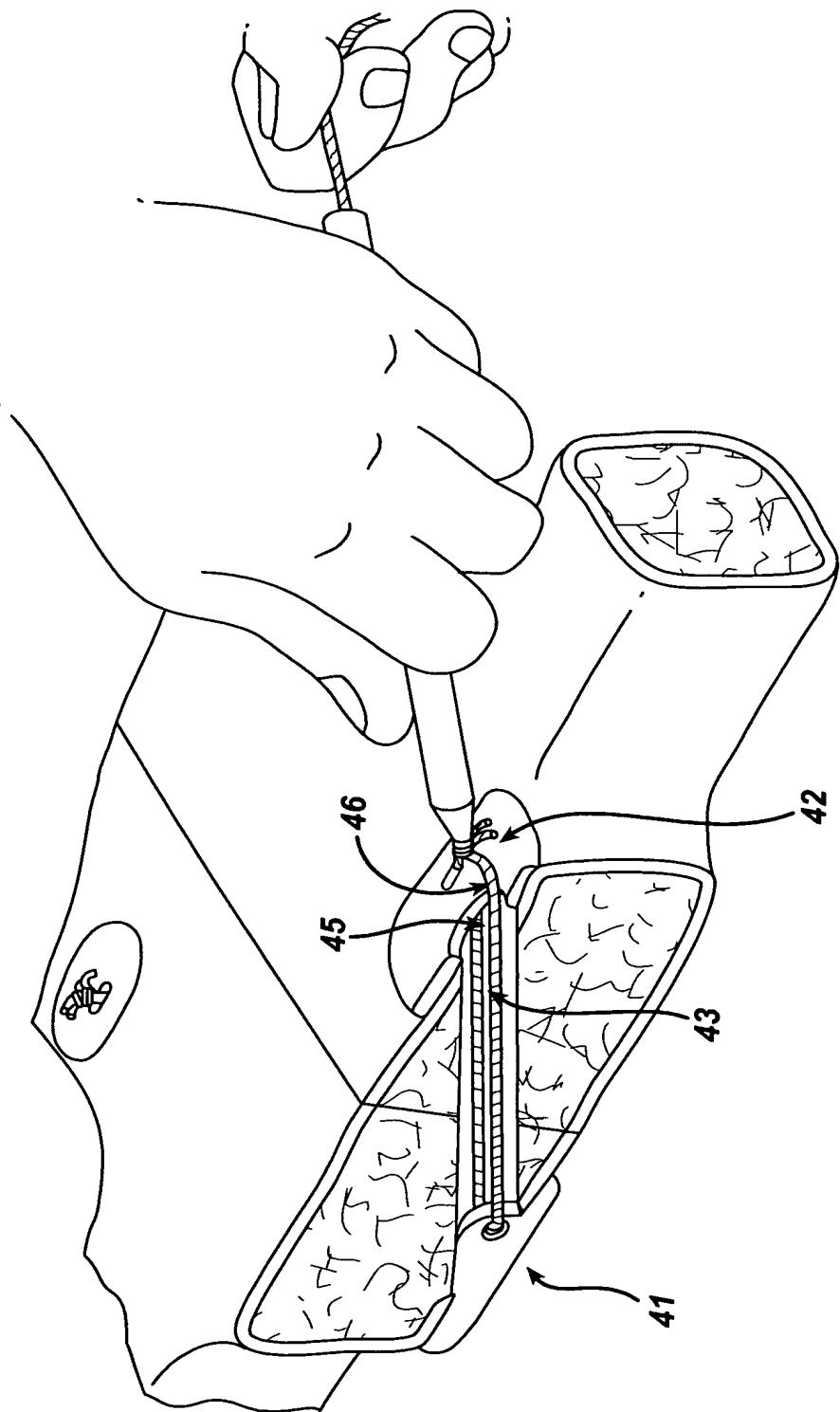
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FIG. 3D



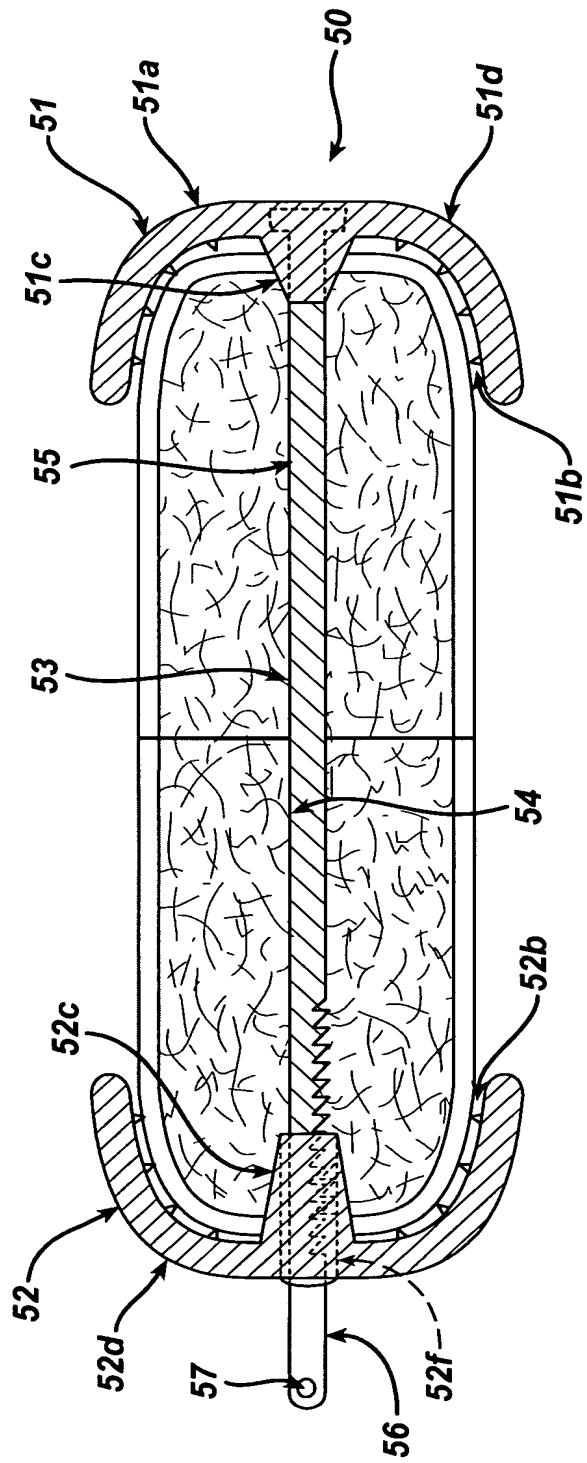
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FIG. 3E



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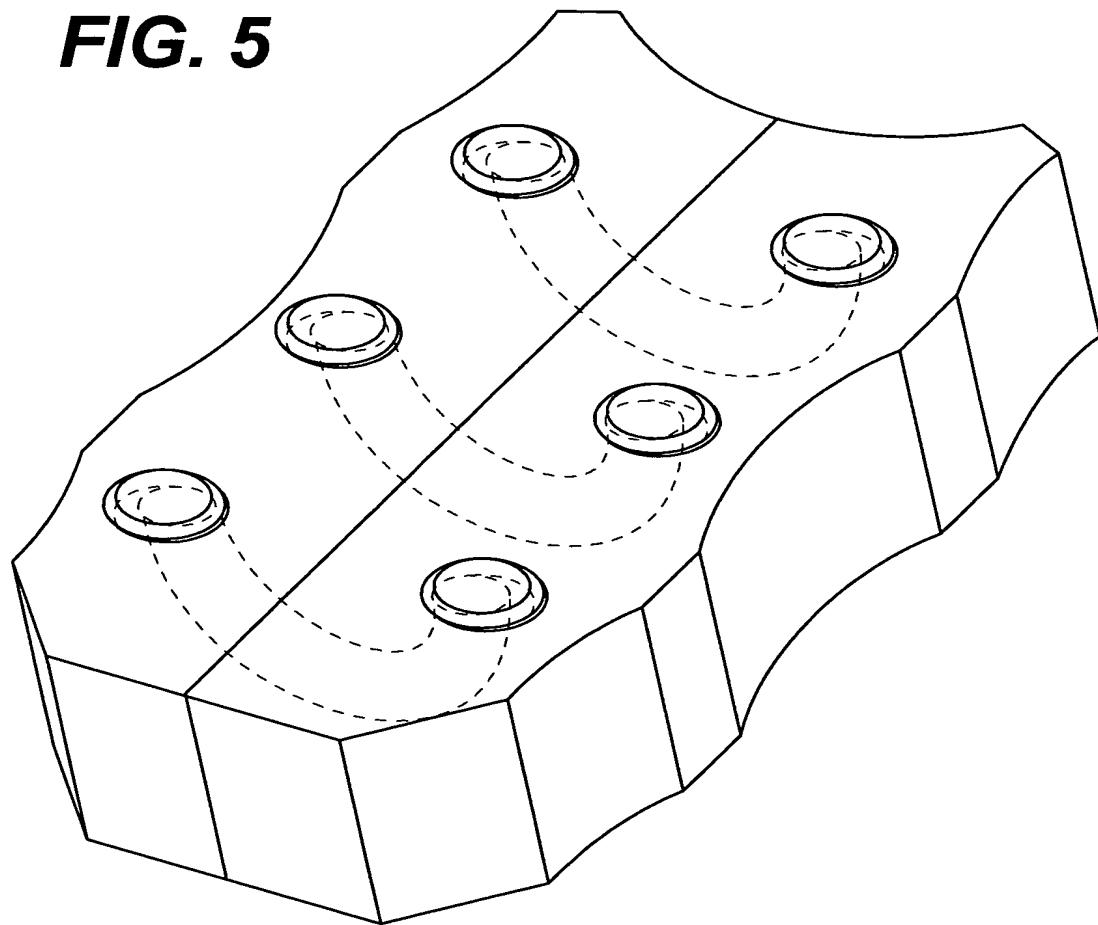
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FIG. 5



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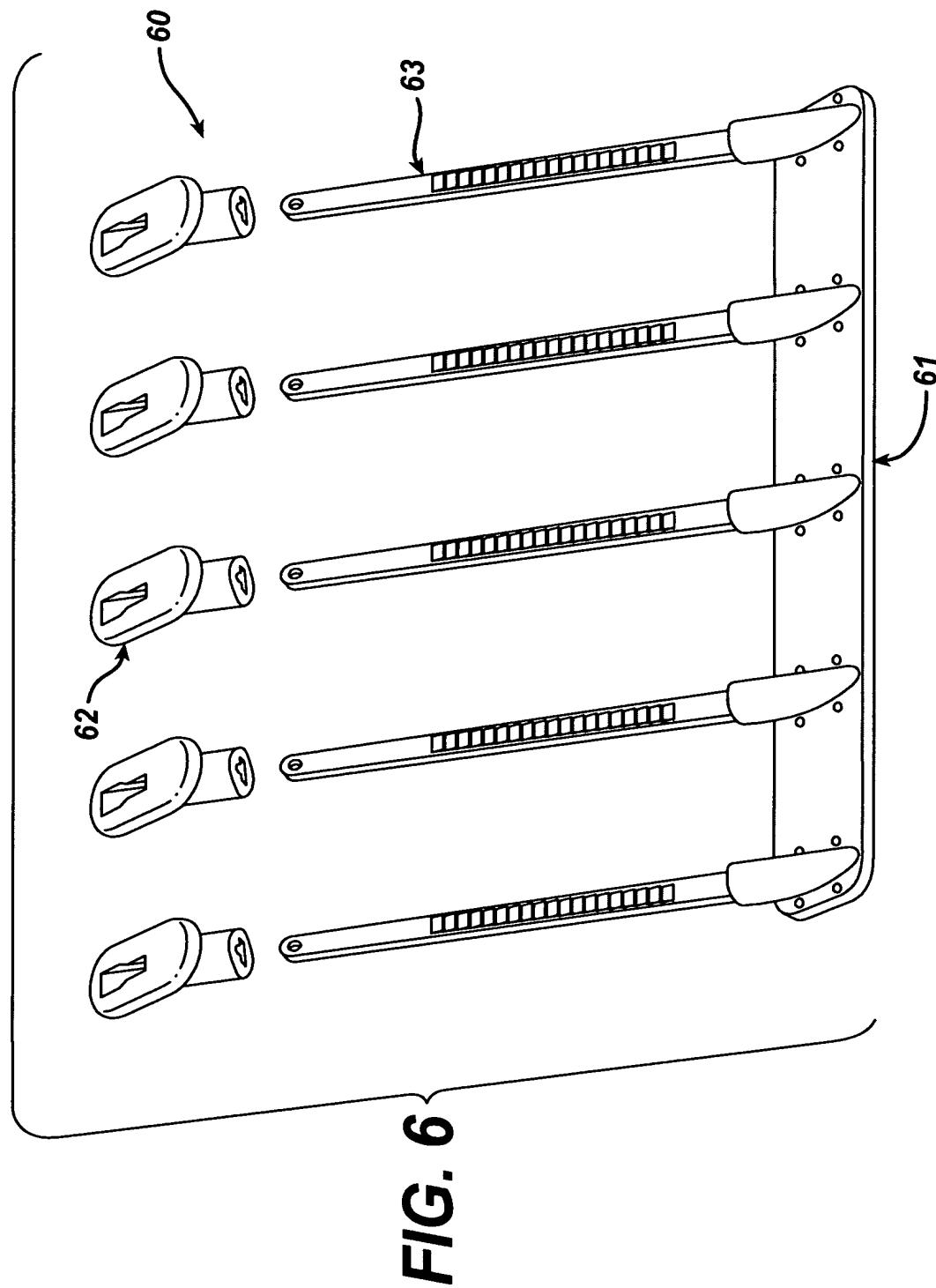
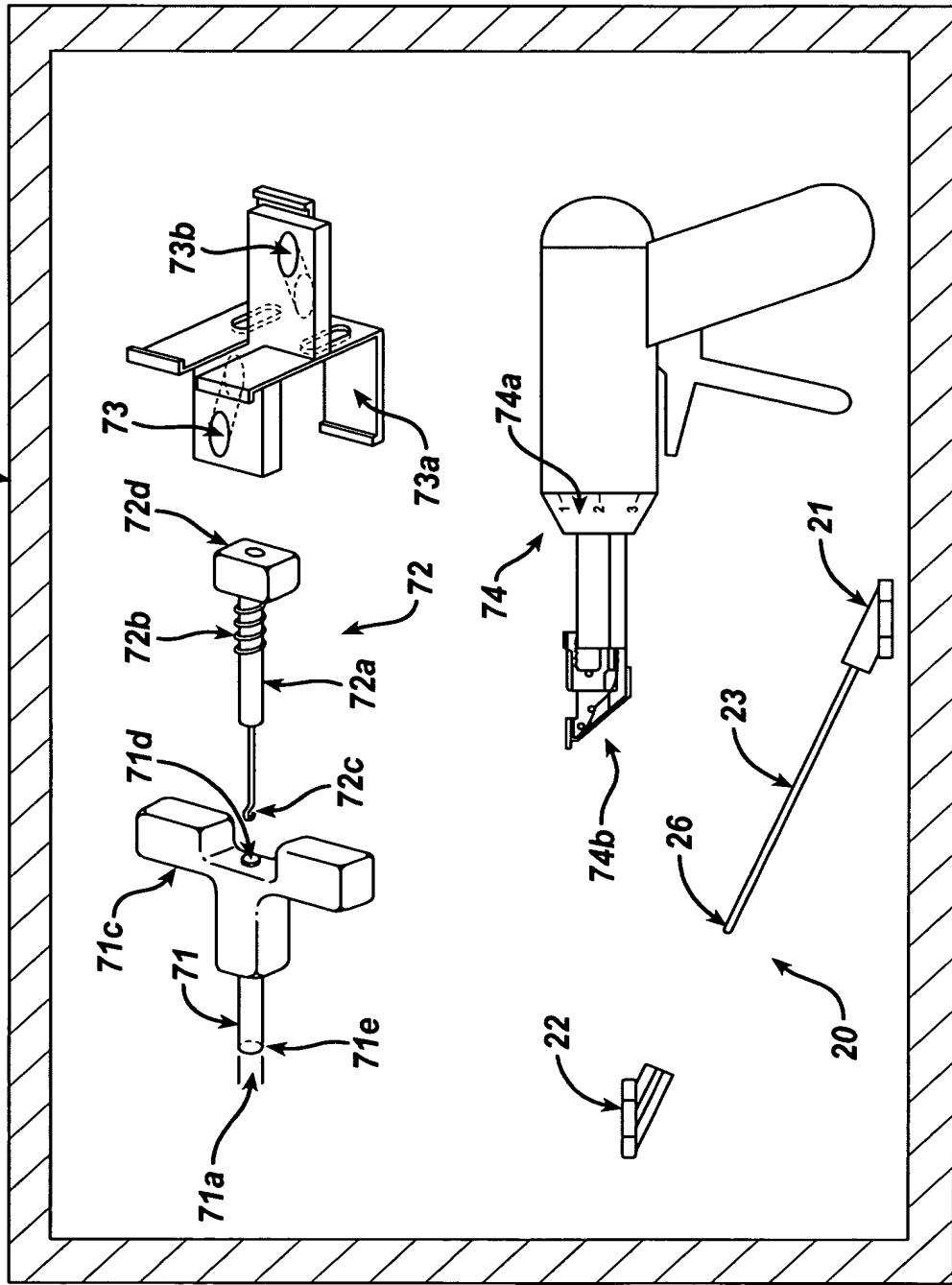


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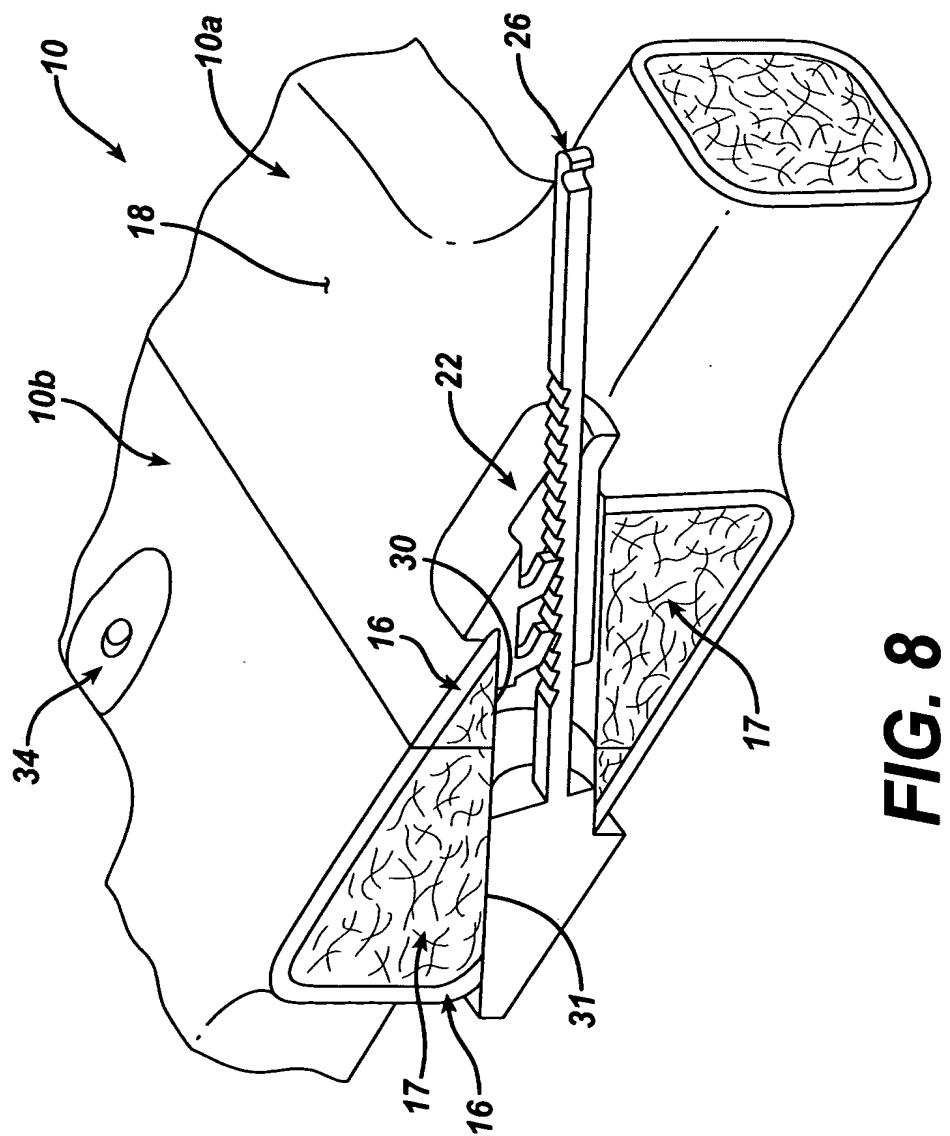


FIG. 8